

"Democracy is based upon the conviction that there are extraordinary possibilities in ordinary people" —Dr. H. E. Fosdick

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"Truth, justice, and the welfare of man depend on individuals with the courage and opportunity to express their opinions." —Lancelot Whyte

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## Montague Bridge Open Short Cut To South

The Montague City bridge was open to travel last week and will give a short cut to motorists from Northfield and vicinity to all Connecticut River points to the south. From Northfield the route will be down over the Gill road to Turners Falls thence to Montague City and over the new bridge to Cheapside district of lower Greenfield. This route will avoid the busy traffic conditions prevailing in Greenfield and time will be saved as well as mileage. The new bridge takes the place of the old wooden structure which was destroyed in the March 1936 flood.

The opening of the bridge after a long period of waiting is compensation enough for those who find its use quite necessary.

## Northfield Gives \$200 In Hospital Drive

Director Paul F. Nalon has reported that \$3,128.75 has been contributed to the Franklin County Public Hospital's campaign to meet charitable expenses. These donations are from areas other than Greenfield. The latter town contributes through the Community Chest.

Northfield's contribution to this campaign was \$200.

The drive has a \$10,000 goal from county residents to compensate the hospital for \$18,000 worth of charitable work during the year. That work includes the various free clinics, in addition to other services to persons unable to pay medical expenses.

## AYH News

The National Council, which is the top governing body of AYH, met briefly in Northfield on Dec. 17, and adjourned to an all day meeting in New York on Dec. 18. Members of the National Council include the Board of Directors and representatives of AYH Councils throughout the United States. About thirty members of the Council were present in New York. Members of the National Staff from Northfield who attended the meeting included Monroe and Isabel Smith, Benton Cummings, Fritz Kaufhold, William Nelson, and Alfred Wilson.

Reservations at the local hotel for winter skiing are being made in large numbers. Unfortunately for those who made plans for skiing during the holiday vacation period, the lack of snow to date has limited skiing rather drastically.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 1, 1949!!!  
January 3, Roller skating party at South Deerfield.  
January 4, Garden Club Meeting.  
January 4, VFW meeting, Grange Hall, 8:00 p. m.  
January 6, WSO meeting, Alexander Hall, 8 p. m.  
January 8, VFW Radio Broadcast, WHAI, 4:45 p. m. Unto Hantunen, speaker.  
January 9, Sunday evening Club meets in Church vestry.  
January 10, P.T. A. Meeting, Alexander Hall.  
January 13, State Line Fellowship meeting.  
January 13, Afternoon Alliance meeting 2:30 p. m. in the Alliance rooms.  
Evening Alliance, 8 p. m.

## My New Year Prayer

1949  
Christmas Joys  
and  
New Year Blessings  
to you all.

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Knitting Needs?  
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Army-Navy Bldg. Greenfield

## Montague Will Filed \$2000 to Cong. Ch.

Gifts totalling \$7,200, with \$2,000 each bequeathed to Franklin County Public Hospital and Northfield Congregational Church were made in the will of Maude M. Montague, of Northfield who died Dec. 14. The will was dated Nov. 20, 1945, and a sister, Mabel L. Merriam, of Brooklyn, N. Y. was named executrix.

The endowment fund at the hospital was benefited by \$2,000. An endowment of \$2,000 for the Dickinson Memorial Library. Bequeathed \$1,000 was Morgan Montague Benning of Millers Falls, and willed \$500 each were Gertrude Hager, of Athol, Alice Eaton of Orange, and Ruth Prentiss, of Orange. The Montague family lot in Northfield Farms cemetery was bequeathed \$200 for care and maintenance and Barbara Browning Washer was left \$500.

The remainder of the estate is to be divided equally between the sisters, Mabel Merriam, and a cousin, Mrs. Nellie Irene Phillips of Northfield.

All real estate, household furnishings and antique furniture were bequeathed to the sisters, Mabel L. Merriam and Annie C. Merriam.

## Ice, Snow and Sleet Glaze All Roads

Some of the usual "unusual" New England weather, this past Wednesday, created hazardous driving in Northfield, as well as the entire county. The weather was equally hazardous for pedestrians.

A mixture of snow, sleet, rain and some freezing weather glazed all highways.

A mixture of sand and salt applied by the town roads department aided travel.

No accidents were reported in Northfield.



EDSON G. GORHAM

Edson G. Gorham, 89, formerly of Greenfield, died Tuesday morning, Dec. 21, at the home of Mrs. Alice Prouty of East Northfield after several years of failing health.

He was born in Huntington, Mar. 30, 1859, and for 25 years was watchman at the Weissbrod Pocketbook shop on Hope street, Greenfield.

Survivors include two daughters, Miss R. Mae Gorham of Greenfield, and Mrs. W. L. Tompkins of Madison, Me.; two sons, George L. Gorham of Greenfield and Robert D. Gorham of Athol; three grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Funeral services will be at the Kidder funeral home here, Thursday at 2 p. m. Burial was in Brattleboro, Vt.

NEW YEAR GREETINGS  
1949  
Terrace Gardens  
FLORISTS  
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Hinsdale, N. H.

## To Improve Rte. Two At the Erving Mills

Motorists using Route Two to eastern communities have realized full well that the highway between the paper mill plant at Erving and on to the Wendell road junction has necessitated careful driving because of its many curves and crowded traffic conditions. Last week the highway engineers were busy in laying out lines for the purpose of making improvements to minimize hazards. It is hoped to eliminate the sharp curves.

The conditions adjacent to the Erving Mills plant have been greatly improved during the past few months by the construction of a large parking area a short distance east of the paper mills on the north side of the road. This improvement does away with the parking hazard which formerly existed just opposite the plant. New approaches have also been constructed to the Mills' grounds which provide one-way entrances and exits.

## Local Girls Send Aid to French Family

The following local girls attending Northfield School for Girls have joined the adoption of Camlars, by sending a CARE package to a family in the French Village: Esther Bentley, Anne Berland, Bette Franz, Julia Huber, Emily Kirk, Beverly McColum, Jean McEwan, Genevieve Otto, Lee Marie Scanlon, Leona White, Joan Williams, Alice Zebert, Patricia Chaplin, Alma Gillespie, Helen Morehouse, Joan Morrow and Janet Pearsall.

## Save A Coupon Help a Cause

Coupons are wanted by the American Legion Auxiliary Local Unit 179.

You can help by saving coupons from Octagon soap products, Kirkman soap products, Rumford and Hearth Club Baking Powders, Borden's "Silver Cow" Evaporated Milk, Borden's Sweetened Condensed milk, La Rosa macaroni products, Bakers extracts, Mrs. Filberts margarine, Prince Macaroni products, Rongoni macaroni products.

The Auxiliary receives a cash allowance for these coupons to help deceased veterans' children. Please save your coupons and give them to some member of the Auxiliary by the 3rd Thursday of each month, or send them to Lura Stone, Warwick avenue, Northfield.

Why not cut out this item as a reminder?  
Regular meeting of the Legion Auxiliary, January 21.

## Save Your Old Plates Scouts to Collect

CAR OWNERS,  
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with the spirit  
of sincere good  
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The  
LATCH STRING  
Jean - George  
Winnie - Allan

Legion and VFW Post Spread Xmas Cheer

## Legion and VFW Post Spread Xmas Cheer

The Haven H. Spencer Post of the American Legion, its Auxiliary and the Northfield Post 9874 all participated in spreading Yuletide cheer.

The two veterans' organizations cooperated in making this past Christmas a happy one for a number of families and individuals, while ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary went down to the Leeds Hospital in Northampton and participated in a Christmas program and dance given for the soldier-patients.

A veteran, Warren Hutchins of this town, received several pleasant surprises while confined to the White River Junction (Vt.) Hospital, first he was made a member of the Northfield Post 9874, VFW, and the American Legion Post sent him a large basket of fruit.

The Northfield Post, VFW, also gifted its Service Officer, Stanley Payson, with a basket of fruit.

## VFW to Occupy Own Quarters in January

The Northfield Post 9874 VFW will soon occupy new, but temporary quarters in West Northfield. Arrangements have been made with the Selectmen and others concerned, to use the abandoned school house on the west side of the river.

Members of the Post will do whatever repairs are necessary for occupancy soon after the first of the year.

## Town Topics

All the cottages in the Mountain Park and Rustic Ridge sections of the wooded hillside which are owned by non residents as summer homes were inspected last week. All were found in good condition and not molested.

"In addition," Bennett continued, "the V. F. W. advocates a firm, even militant, foreign policy against Russian aggression and we suggest more action and less talk about stopping communism right here in the United States."

"These are V. F. W. views on just a few of the many problems we can expect to face during 1949," Bennett concluded. "What the 1,500,000 Veterans of Foreign Wars members propose concerning other issues also is discussed in our broadcast January 8."

The address, to be delivered by Unto Hantunen, representing the Northfield Post, is one in a series of "Speak Up For Democracy" programs sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

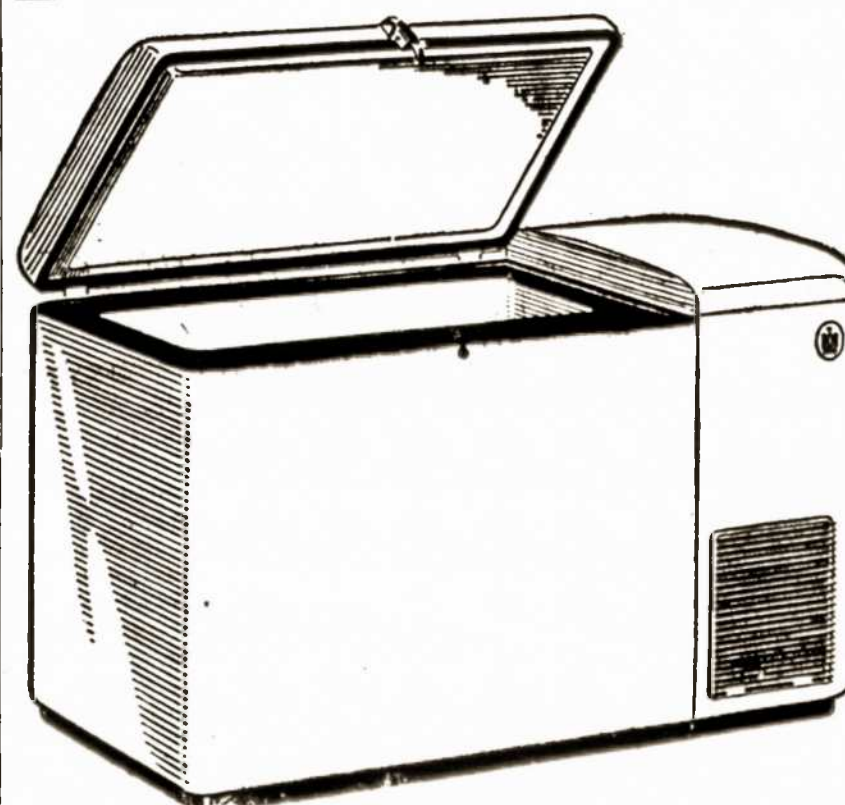
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## Vets Favor Hospital See No Need for Home

Representatives of many veterans organizations of the county gathered at the quarters of the Daily-Solomon Post, VFW, in Turners Falls, December 27, to discuss the controversial issue of the Holyoke Soldiers Home and Hospital.

It was unanimously approved by the assembly to back the construction of a 150 bed hospital and 50 bed "home".

Gov.-elect Dever has gone on record as favoring the legislative act pertaining to this construction, and his stand is interpreted to mean that he will favor the construction of a 150 bed "home" and a 50 bed hospital as opposed to what veterans in this area feel would more properly be of greater service to western Mass. veterans, a 150 bed hospital.

Dr. J. W. Bennett, Commander of the Northfield Post 9874, VFW, pointed out that it would be far easier to change a hospital into a home, than a home into a hospital.

Attending the meeting were Rep. George F. Martin of Montague City; Rep. George Fuller of Greenfield; Rep.-elect Joseph Cullen of Greenfield.

## Pioneer Valley Has Committee in Town

Organization of Franklin County committees to conduct the February campaign of the Pioneer Valley Association for 2,500 members got off to a flying start today with the appointments by George V. Wallace, Jr., Holyoke banker and president of the Association, of committee chairmen for Greenfield, Northfield and Millers Falls.

Each of these chairmen, Mr. Wallace said in an announcement through the Pioneer Valley Association headquarters in Northampton, already has made substantial progress in organization of campaign committees.

Harold Briesmaster, of the Valley Vista Inn, again heads the Northfield committee. Mr. Briesmaster announced that his committee will include Unto Hantunen, Edward Powell, Jr., Charles M. Repeta, and Mrs. Charles R. White of East Northfield.

Other campaign committees will be organized immediately. Mr. Wallace said, in all of the 70 cities and towns of Pioneer Valley.

## TOWN TOPICS

Jerome "Peaver" Gingras was home for the holidays. He is still stationed at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.



There's a gay carnival spirit abroad in the land, poised on the brink of the New Year. As the annals of its pages are recorded, we trust they will contain a saga of peace and contentment, joy and happiness, health and good fortune for you.

AINA and UNTO HANTUNEN



++ On the dawn of the New Year, we pause once again to express our best wishes for the coming twelvemonth.

We trust you'll cut many fancy Figure Eights on your journey thru 1949.

SPENCER BROS.

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**TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
Rev. Joseph W. Reeves, Minister.  
Sunday, January 2,  
9:55 a. m. Church School.  
10:00 a. m. Young People's Forum and Men's Bible Class.  
11:00 a. m. Public Worship. Sermon subject, "God in the New Year." There will be the observance of Holy Communion. Preschool age children attended by Mrs. Ray Thompson.  
5:00 p. m. Meeting of the Program Committee of the Pilgrim Fellowship.  
6:30 p. m. the meeting of the Pilgrim Fellowship will be held in the vestry. First in the series of "Personal Criticisms."

The Men's Bible Class starts a study of the book on Genesis on the first Sunday of the new year. It will be an interesting and profitable study under the teaching of Mr. Gaylord Douglas. All the men of the community invited to attend.

A roller skating party is to be held at the South Deerfield rink on Monday evening, sponsored by the young people. All who enjoy roller skating, or want to learn are invited to go. Your assistance with transportation will be appreciated. Cars will leave from the Aldrich store in East Northfield and from the Gingsas Pharmacy in Northfield at 7 o'clock.  
Victor Ward, News Analyst, will be guest and speaker at the 20-45 Club meeting on Sunday evening, Jan. 9.

**ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Rev. Elvin W. Blackstone  
Services every Sunday, 10:30 a. m.  
Sunday School, 11:45 a. m.  
Loyal Workers, 6:45 p. m.  
Praise Service, 7:30 p. m.  
Weekly Prayer Meeting, Thursdays at 7:45 p. m.

**UNITARIAN CHURCH**  
Rev. Richard G. Sechrist, Minister  
Sunday, January 2,  
10:00 a. m. Church School, Mrs. Carroll Miller, Supt.  
11:00 a. m. Service and Sermon, "Theme for 1949"  
AUY meets in vestry at 5 p. m.

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Open to the public Tuesday through Saturday from 1 to 5 except Wednesday and Friday when it closes at 5 p. m.

The Dickinson Memorial Library will be closed all day Saturday, New Year's Day, as usual. It is fitting that the children have a good share of the new books which have come in this month. Some are to replace old favorites, but most are new books which have been on order and appeared in time for the holidays.

They are: Secret of the Old Sappy Place, by Wright; Bower, the Hound and Happy Jack, by Burgess; A Star Shone, by Trent; Ten Beaver Road, by McLelland; Muddy Paws, Smith; Walt Disney's Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs; Red Carpet, by Parkin; Cap'n Dow and the Hole in the Doughnut, by Le Grand.

For the adults we have: River to the West, by John Jennings; Fire

## Town Topics

Miss Janet E. Spencer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross L. Spencer and who is a student at Stoneleigh-Prospect Hill School in Greenfield is spending the Christmas holidays at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Austin Daly of Highland Ave. are entertaining at their home Miss May Hen, daughter of Mrs. K. W. Hau of Shanghai, China. Miss Hau is a student at Stoneleigh-Prospect Hill school and she will remain with Mr. and Mrs. Daly during the Christmas vacation.

Miss Ethel Lawrence of Madison, N.J., who spent the past summer at her cottage in Mountain

## THE OVERSEAS



The first letter was addressed to George Sheldon, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Sheldon, the second to Marilyn Porter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Porter.

Camiers, Nov. 28, 1948.

Dear Comrade,  
I am very happy to reply to you. I am not as strong as you are; I weigh only 72 pounds and I am 142 meters tall, at 13 years old. (A meter is a little more than 39 inches.) I live near the sea and there is a pond almost opposite my home. I am in the first class. I have five sisters who are 13 years, 18 yrs., 17 yrs., 14 yrs., 10 yrs., and I have a brother also 8 years old. In the parcel you will put in whatever you want to; that will be always very welcome at home. Saturdays we go to the woods and play football. Thursdays I go to the woods with a friend to gather wood for it is very cold here just now. I am making a collection of stamps and I will send you a few of them. I have a big cat, too, and a little cat. Excuse me for being so slow in answering you. I thank you for the dollar you sent me. I don't know whether I shall succeed in changing it at the French bank for I believe a passport is necessary. Still I am going to try to change it, and I shall tell you in the next letter. I'll close my letter for today in the hope of hearing from you soon.

Your friend,  
Victor.

Camiers, Nov. 27, 1948

Dear Madam,  
I was very pleased to receive your letter. I am a little girl of 7 years; I am blond with blue eyes; I go to school and I work hard. I haven't yet any little brother; my father was a prisoner of war; I knew him at the age of five; when very small I never knew his caresses. — none except those of my mother; now that my papa is back home, I love him very much. At the age of three, we evacuated; we were without a home. Christmas is coming now, but that costs a great deal and we have only papa's small earnings. I will close my letter, wishing you a good Christmas from far away, Dear Madam.

Miss Lucienne Lamour.



## SKIB

In Brattleboro, Vt. Memorial hospital, Dec. 26, a son, Stephen Peter, to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Skib, Jr., of South Vernon.

## Town Topics

The property which includes the gas station on the east side of the Hinsdale road near the state line of Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Groves has been sold to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur P. Welch.

## COLONIAL CHRONICLES

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Just as John Hutchison was about to take the common road to Sunderland to see where the main body was, a long "HALLOO" echoed in the mid-morning air. The main body soon came within sight, with the horses being led by the riders, and several creaking carts slowly jogging along the weed-grown highway.

There were no more than twenty in the party and I recognized Micah Mudge, Cornelius Merry, John Alexander and William Miller, among them. They had been, according to Preserved, in the first settlement Preserved soon pointed out the new comers to the settlement, Samuel Davis, Benjamin Palmer, John Clary, Jr., and Benjamin Wright.

During the general greetings and discussion Preserved hoarsely whispered, "Benjie, they gave that John Clary 20 acres in Great meadow and the island situated in the great bend of the river, so that they could get him to leave his mill in Hadley and set one up on this brook."

I judged that they would place the mill on the privilege nearest the street.

It did my heart good to see these resolute men vigorously going about their task of unloading the carts and dispersing their belongings along the banks of the brook, overlooking the rushing rapids. At last, I felt, we would get our chance to carve a home — a permanent one — out of this abandoned wilderness of Northfield.

In the meanwhile Preserved was sitting quietly a little removed from the bustling newcomers, while Uncle Eb was occupied in a discussion with a group of men. I overheard one say, it might have been Micah Mudge, "We'll need a fort soon, the French and Indians will be up to something again, with the leaves coming on to the trees."

Then addressing John Clary, he said, with certain finality, "We'll build it here, on this height of land

on your home-plot, next to the mill." "That will be fine with me, for Sarah will be here soon," said John Clary quietly.

"Micah," called a voice from the outer rim of the group, "There'll be something else we'll be needin'."

"What is that, Merry," inquired Micah Mudge.

"It'll be a breedge we'll be needin'," answered Cornelius Merry with a broad grin.

"It'll come in good time Merry," returned Micah.

A general discussion broke out, and I separated from the group and went over to sit beside Preserved until the plans could be laid for the beginning of this second settlement.

No sooner had I seated myself than a call was heard from one of the men on watch, "A man! I see a man moving across the meadow on the other side of the brook."

"Is it an Indian?" called out Uncle Eb.

"No, a white man," called the watchman.

We all raced to the height of land, and watched the man approach, now signaling with up-raised arms.

Guns were lowered, but kept in readiness.

The lone man hastened his stride and soon was upon the opposite bank, he called to us over the roar of the rapids, "I'm just back from Canada, and I'm looking for Benjamin Bristol."

He had said Benjamin Bristol — he was looking for me!

"Go down a bit, and cross over there," called Uncle Eb to the traveler.

The man disappeared down the glen, and soon reappeared, coming up on the south side of the brook, saying, "Is Benjamin Bristol here?"

I stepped forward, "I am Benjamin Bristol."

Without hesitation the quickly said, "I have news for you from Canada — news of your father."

(To be Continued)

## VETERANS BULLETIN BOARD

### DEATH COMPENSATION

The widow, children and dependent parents of a deceased World War II veteran whose death was due to service may qualify for death compensation.

A widow loses her entitlement if she remarries. The child loses entitlement, normally, upon reaching the age of 18.

Monthly amounts vary according to the number and relationship of the dependents. Examples are: widow, no children, \$75; one child alone, no widow, \$58; one parent, \$60.

### DEATH PENSION

The widow and children of certain deceased World War II veterans may be entitled to death pension benefit where the veteran died of causes not due to service.

Such dependents of a veteran who, at the time of his death, was

receiving, or entitled to receive compensation for service-connected disability are eligible. Otherwise, the veteran must have served at least 90 days (or have been discharged for service-incurred disability before 90 days of service) and, at time of death, had a service-connected disability of less than 10 per cent.

The widow is disqualified if her annual income exceeds \$1,000, or \$2,500 if she has a child or children. A child with an income in excess of \$1,000 per year is not eligible. A widow loses her entitlement upon remarriage, and children normally become ineligible when they reach age 18.

A widow alone receives \$42 per month, with additional allowances for children. Where there is no widow, a single child is entitled to \$21.60, with added amounts for more children.



You don't Have to Ski to Enjoy Winter in New Hampshire

New Hampshire has a long-established reputation as a leading ski state, but a cross section of the throng that spends winter days among the "White Hills" shows a wide range between the "alt by the fire" and the experts. One extreme toasts its toes cozily; the other extreme schusses precipitous trails or leaps from ski jumps with the abandon of Superman.

Between these extremes there are winter vacationists who come to New Hampshire primarily for the beauty of the blue shadows on snowy mountains or the photogenic qualities of rime-covered trees on the slopes of the highest ski mountains in eastern United States. Other don creaking snowshoes and tramp to silent places in the forest, some prefer the metallic ring of

skates on a community rink or a toboggan careening down a wide open hill.

Then there is a group that delights in spending day-off on the upper side of an ice covered lake, seeking to lure denizens from the darkness below the ice with the aid of "tip-ups" or "bob lines". Pickering lake trout, whitefish, perch and cusk are the popular species that winter fishermen seek in New Hampshire.

It is said that, just as there are people who are too busy skiing to eat, there are others who are too busy eating to ski. Many New Hampshire hostilities have long been known for good food. Outdoor cookouts are gaining in popularity and some resorts sponsor these outdoor feasts, where appetites are stimulated by a formula of ozone and pine scent.

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by Gertrude C. Whitney

Well, Christmas is over for this year, but the Christmas spirit still lingers, for since the holiday fell on Saturday, much of the Christmas music has joyously spilled over into Sunday via several excellent radio programs.

Was it a happy holiday for you, spent with those nearest and dearest, and are you preserving the right attitude toward your gifts? Or did you say, "What did she want to give me that for, when I would have liked something else better" (naming the desired article)? After all, it is the loving thought that counts. Some people know intuitively what to give certain friends, but sometimes we suspect, (may we be forgiven for the thought) that we are receiving a gift of convenience, if I may coin a phrase. Do I need to explain?

Speaking of memory's garden, as a hangover from last week, I still recall vividly the visit of Maude Ballington Booth at Smith College many years ago. In those days she was still young and lovely to look

at, even in the Volunteers of America bonnet which could not hide the dark curls framing her face. She told us that her father was an English country parson and that when she and her brothers and sisters played, appropriately, with their Noah's Ark set — I had one myself as a child — they discarded all the animals with broken legs, necks or trunks, and offered them as a sacrifice to the Lord, on the burnt offering idea. Her father told them that they had missed the true spirit of giving, that the patriarchs of old only used the finest bullocks and rams, and no sick chickens, for Jehovah deserved the finest; and that she said, could well be applied to our own system of giving to our friends on special occasions.

My Christmas cactus opened its second bud of the season on Christmas day. My two tiny slips of four years ago, planted in the same pot, now grow like one plant two feet across. Only one blossom comes out at a time but eventually the tiny buds in various stages of development, will blossom all the way around. Most people know the Christmas cactus. The blossom is a lovely shade of magenta with a turned-back involucre of scarlet — two colors that artists and interior decorators, or modistes, do not usually dare use in combination, but Dame Nature dares and gets away with it.

My little lobster cactus, a very closely related species, bloomed earlier in the fall. The blossoms are almost identical. Cactuses, or cacti if you wish to be stilted in your speech, have always been especially interesting to me — an interest in which my mother shared — in fact, I made a cactus bed of different varieties in our home garden when in my early teens. Later, at college, when I learned the problematic morphology of this desert group, they became even more fascinating, but I will reserve this discussion for another chapter. Meanwhile, hail to the New Year and Goodbye to the old, with its high hopes and not a few disappointments for many of us. Chins up!

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Susan Hammond had the measles during the Christmas holidays.

Ted Powell had the mumps, but is up and around now.

David Quinn has the mumps first on one side then on the other.

Holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Unto Hantunen were, her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Gunnar Bengtsson of South Weymouth; her brother, Roy Niemela, a sophomore at MIT, Cambridge; and her mother, Mrs. Waldemar Niemela and brother Buzzie of New York City.

Ed Hurley is home for the holidays. He returns to the Institute after the first of the year.

Miss Dorothy Watson is spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Watson. She will return to her school in Natick after the new year.

Miss Elsie Watson of Detroit, Mich., will also be here for a week with her mother at the home of Lawrence Lazelle.

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The remainder of the schedule is as follows:

Jan. 21, at Powers. Boys and girls.

Jan. 28, New Salem here Boys and girls.

Jan. 18, Winchester here, boys.

Jan. 26 Mt. Hermon Jr. varsity here Boys 3-30.

Feb. 4, At Hinsdale, boys and girls.

Feb. 11, Powers here, boys and girls.

Feb. 16, At Mt. Hermon 4-30.

Mar. 1, At Winchester, boys and girls.

All games are in the evening unless otherwise noted.

At present the squad consists of Warren Whitney, Irwin Severance, Joe Blimon, Jr., holding down the 2 forward posts and center, with the following candidates being available for the backcourt berth, Walter Kenney, Danny Morgan, Russell Hutchins, Richard Whitney, Edward Parsons, Russell Fisher, John Jurkowski, and Jimmy Allen.

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Mrs. Leona Smith was bridesmaid and Donald Smith, best man. The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Others present were Albert Smith, Norma Smith, Mrs. Carleton Smith, Mrs. Arnold Merrill, and Miss Sylvia Boyd, all of Vernon, and Miss Joyce Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith of West Northfield.

After a short trip Mr. and Mrs. Smith will return Jan. 1 to Burlington, Vt., where the bridegroom attends the University of Vermont. Mrs. Smith has employment there in a department store.

**BOLTON - SIBLEY** — In Rowe, Dec. 26, Miss Jean Sibley of Rowe to Norman I. Bolton of Northfield.

## Town Topics

Miss Ethel V. Lawrence who has a cottage in Mountain Park was the last summer resident to close her cottage and leave for her home in Madison, N. J. recently.



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## Do You Know Massachusetts?

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**DO YOU KNOW THAT** — Construction is well advanced on the Metropolitan District Commission's high-pressure aqueduct between Riverside and Chestnut Hill, which is being tunneled through solid rock at depths ranging from 250 to 400 feet below ground level. The new line will connect directly with the pressure mains in the Boston system and will save about \$150,000 a year by eliminating the need of pumping. There were 1,559,922 licensed operators of motor vehicles in Massachusetts on November 30, an increase of 61,033 over the number a year ago. Massachusetts has a total of 3,297,000 acres of forest land, about 65.7% of its total land area. The Sumner Tunnel in Boston is carrying the largest volume of traffic of any single tube in the United States, and probably in the world, an average for this year of about 169,470 vehicles a week. There were 80,000 persons in Massachusetts who voted in the recent elections but did not vote for a presidential candidate. One of the programs of research in nuclear science being conducted by Mass. Institute of Technology is sponsored by six oil companies through contributions totalling \$275,000 a year for five years. The first ice cream cones were made in Malden. The State Planning Board has just released a report on state-owned land available and suitable for veterans' housing projects.

**DO YOU KNOW THAT** .. The \$5,000 which the will of Benjamin Franklin in 1790 directed should be invested for 100 years for the good of the people of Boston, yielded more than \$400,000 for building the Franklin Union trade school, and the remainder now amounts to \$997,556. In 1930 approximately 76% of the accumulated fund will be used and the remainder again left to grow for another hundred years. The number of wage earners employed in Massachusetts factories during November was 4.8% less than a year ago, and factory wage payments totaled 1.2% less. Compared with the average month in the pre-war years 1935-39 however, factory employment in November 1948 was up 23.6% and payroll 196.8%, as reported by the Department of Labor and Industries. Industrial centers of the State having the highest average factory wage earnings per worker during November were: Pittsfield, \$66.00; Norwood, \$63.69; Beverly, \$60.69; Lynn, \$58.81; Worcester, \$58.65; and Everett, \$57.89. Average temperature in Boston during November was 50 degrees, which matched the previous high record for the month made in 1927 and was higher than in November of any other year since the Weather Bureau started recording in 1871. Massachusetts in July this year had 1,949 miles of roads under state control, all of which are hard surfaced. A special committee has been appointed in Maynard to make recommendations regarding the establishment of an official town planning board.



## Electricity Assures Water for Livestock

## Economical Installation For Winter Suggested

Electricity, which has eased the farmer's chores, has come to the aid of farm animals, too.

Through the medium of electricity, Dobbin and Bossy no longer need fear that their drinking water supply will be shut off during the cold winter months.

Tests by agricultural engineers have demonstrated that electricity is economical to provide warm water for livestock during the winter. Watering devices were operated at a cost as low as 70 kilowatt hours per month, representing an outlay of \$1.40 at two cents per kilowatt.

Some farmers are finding that their installations are expensive to operate, principally because of lack



This horse can laugh at Old Man Winter as a result of this floating water heater, an electrical de-icer which assures farm animals a drink despite the cold.

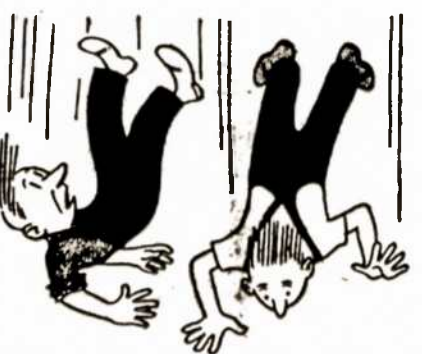
of insulation or because too much water is heated.

The following suggestion will help to make an ideal installation:

1. Use as small a tank as possible, definitely not more than 150 gallons.
2. Install a float so the size of the tank can be reduced. Commercial units now on the market use only a drinking cup.
3. Use at least three or four inches of commercial insulation and cover all sides, leaving room for only one or two animals to drink.
4. Install a baffle board to prevent air movement over the water under the insulated top.

Use of electricity makes it safe to install the tank inside the barn or in a shed, which will encourage livestock to drink more water and thus increase milk and meat production.

## Farmer Falls Hardest



Life on the farm is far more hazardous for the farmer and his sons than it is for his wife and his daughters.

In fact, a survey covering 15,000 farms the country over, made by the department of agriculture, reveals that about four times as many accidents happened to men and boys between the ages of 14 and 65 as were suffered by farm women and girls. Of the youngsters under 14 injured, nearly 65 per cent were boys.

More farm people were injured by falls than any other type of accident, with the majority of mishaps involving falling on steps and stairs and from vehicles. Men and boys were victims of twice as many injuries from falls as were women and girls.

Of the total number of farm accidents, 56 per cent were connected with farm work and 8 per cent with housework. The age period from 25 to 45 was disclosed as the most dangerous.

## Horses Need Attention During Stabled Period

Disease and injury that sometimes prove crippling can be prevented by giving special attention to horses' feet during the stabled period. Brittle hoofs, spongy hoofs, thrush and foot canker are the four diseases commonly caused by bad stable conditions.

Clean, dry floors are recommended as a precaution. The feet of stabled animals also should be trimmed at least once a month.

## How to Ratproof Farm Told By Engineering Head

Feed is too scarce and expensive nowadays to waste on rats. It seems the job of keeping rats away from stored feed and grain is never finished, and so R. W. Carpenter, head of the agricultural engineering department, University of Maryland, offers some suggestions.

Grain and feed bins can be rat-proofed by applying metal flashing to all corners or lining bins with cement-asbestos board or metal, he says. Corn cribs can be protected with hardware cloth screening under the floors and around the sides to a height of six feet or so.

To prevent rats and mice from climbing the sides, surround the crib, at a height of about four feet, with a band of smooth metal about a foot wide. Or a narrower strip can be used if it is bent at right angles to form a ledge which the animals can't climb over.

Foundation walls of buildings with concrete floors should extend underground 18 inches to two feet to make a solid barrier. This discourages rats from burrowing underneath and prevents frost damage, too. By making the base of the footing four to six inches wider than the rest of the foundation wall, a ledge results which seems to baffle rats and prevent their burrowing under.

Carpenter says that these steps, together with the use of new rat poisons, keeping surroundings clean of waste materials, and repairing buildings will go a long way toward solving the rat problem and saving precious feed.

## Choice of Press Cloths Suggested for Home Maker

Special press cloths are good for certain fabrics. No one method of pressing will work on every fabric, and the home maker should try a small corner of the fabric to see which works best, says Julia E. Brekke, NDAC extension service clothing specialist.

Most fabrics look better if they are pressed on the wrong side, too. The choice of press cloths makes a lot of difference in the kind of job that can be done.

Miss Brekke recommends the following types of press cloths:

Cheesecloth is good for fabrics that scorch easily, such as white rayons and silks. Dampen the cheesecloth slightly, lay it over the fabric, and press until dry. Heavier woollens can be pressed with cheesecloth, too.

Chiffon is good for pressing rayons and silks that water spot. Wet the chiffon thoroughly and wring out the excess water. Then hold the warm iron on the chiffon, until it begins to steam, spread the chiffon out on the fabric and press up.

Tissue paper can be used on silk and rayons. Dampen the paper very slightly with a sponge and press. This takes out deep wrinkles. On some fabrics you can press over the paper without dampening it.

## Life in Costa Rica

Visitors long have given Costa Rica a hand for its democratic institutions and moderate ways. After the overthrow of the dictatorship in 1917, most political battles were waged in the newspapers. Even bull fights in Costa Rica are relatively gentle, notes the National Geographic society. At the free-for-all amateur contests bulls are not injured or killed, and their horns are sawed off to prevent serious accidents to participants. By far the majority of Costa Rica's three quarters of a million people live in the central plateau around the capital of San Jose. In a country smaller than West Virginia, these perpetually springlike upland valleys form one of the most densely settled rural regions of the Americas. In spite of the name which means "rich coast", Costa Rica was never a source of mineral treasure.

## Religion in Estonia Today

Ancient church of St. Nicolas in Parnu, Estonia, was destroyed by warfare but the church of St. Elizabeth and the two Orthodox churches have hardly suffered. Only old people risk going to church, however, the younger generations keep away for fear of persecution as the attitude of the authorities towards the church is as hostile as ever. One of the reasons why the churches are half-empty is the fact that there are hardly any clergymen left in the country and divine service is often held by vergers and elders of the congregations. The remaining clergymen are rounded up and deported. The only effect of the new ecclesiastical policy of the regime is that the pastorless churches are left open and not used for secular purposes, as was the case in 1944 and 1945, when many were requisitioned to serve as stores and depots for the army.

## Handling of Fireworks

Because of their explosive nature, it is dangerous to leave fireworks, either packed or unpacked, in a room with an open light or to strike matches or to smoke in a room containing fireworks. It is well to remember that powder grains sometimes shake out of fireworks packages during shipment and scatter around in the packing box. Such a box, until it has been cleaned out, is similar to an open powder bag. Care should be taken to unpack fireworks only in a place where they will not be exposed to accidental ignition. A few buckets of water at hand, or a nearby garden hose, is a good precaution.

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